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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: A THIN FILM OF METAL OXIDE AND A METHOD FOR PREPARING IT

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of Twenty-two (22) pages
- Seven (7) sheet(s) formal drawings
- An assignment of the invention
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority

- Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-276399 filed in Japan on September 20, 2002.
- Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
 Certified copy(ies) will follow.
- Executed Declaration (Original Photocopy)
- Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- Other:
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